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SUBJECT: CODEL HUMPHREY: ACTIVISTS PRIMED TO GIVE SENATORS THEIR  
VIEWS

1. DURING FAREWELL PARTY FOR DEPARTING SOVIET JEW, EMBOFF HAD LONG CONVERSATION WITH SEVERAL OF BEST KNOWN SOVIET JEWISH ACTIVISTS (LUNS, LERNER, SLEPAK, RUBIN, LAPIDUS). ACTIVISTS WERE AWARE OF FORTHCOMING CODEL VISIT AND SAID THEY EXPECT TO MEET WITH SOME OF THE SENATORS. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF ACTIVISTS' CURRENT VIEWS, WHICH WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE IMPARTED TO SENATORS, IF MEETING OCCURS.

2. JEWISH EMIGRATION. ACTIVISTS HOLD TO VIEW THAT SOVIES ARE DESPERATELY IN NEED OF U.S. TECHNOLOGY AND HENCE MAJOR CREDITS, AND THAT THIS SHOULD BE MAJOR LEVER TO FORCE POLITICAL CONCESSIONS FROM SOVIET UNION. IN THEIR VIEW ONLY PRESSURE FROM U.S. CAN BRING ANY POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT IN FIELD OF EMIGRATION. SUPPORT OF ACTIVISTS FOR SENATOR JACKSON'S EFFORTS IS APPARENTLY UNDIMINISHED, AND THEY BELIEVE JACKSON AMENDMENT WAS ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. SOME, HOWEVER, QUESTIONED STEVENSON AMENDMENT, SAYING \$300 MILLION CREDIT LIMIT CAUGHT THEM, AND PRESUMABLY SOVIET LEADERSHIP, BY SURPRISE. ACTIVISTS FEEL THAT SOVIETS GAVE ASSURANCES AND MADE PROMISES ON EMIGRATION, BUT BROKE THEM WHEN THEY REALIZED THERE WAS TOO  
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SENATOR JACKSON'S PUBLICIZING OF THE "COMPROMISE" HAD MUCH TO DO WITH SOVIET DECISION. IN SHORT, ACTIVISTS WILL PROBABLY ASK SENATORS TO CONTINUE PRESSURE ON SOVIETS FROM CONGRESS. EVEN THOUGH THEY SEE LOW EMIGRATION LEVEL AS RESULTING FROM BREAKDOWN IN LINKAGE BETWEEN TRADE AND EMIGRATION, THEY DO NOT SEEM DISPOSED TO ADVOCATE THAT U.S. CONGRESS TAKE FIRST STEP TO BREAK CURRENT IMPASSE.

3. CSCE. ACTIVISTS FEEL U.S. IS BEING TAKEN FOR A RIDE AT CSCE. THEY SCORN REPORTS THAT SOVIETS HAVE MADE SOME CONCESSIONS WHICH COULD ALLOW AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED THIS SUMMER AND FEEL THAT WHATEVER SOVIETS AGREE TO IN AREA OF HUMAN RIGHTS WILL BE INTERPRETED BY THEM IN ANY WAY THEY SEE FIT. THEY MOCKED FOREIGN RADIO REPORTS THAT FOREIGN JOURNALISTS' SITUATION MIGHT BE EASED AS RESULT OF CSCE, SAYING THAT THIS WAS SO MINOR AS TO HAVE NO SIGNIFICANCE. VIEW OF ACTIVISTS IS THAT SOVIETS' REAL AIM IS TO EXTRACT WESTERN RECOGNITION OF SOVIET BORDERS AND OF ITS HEGEMONY OVER ITS "EMPIRE" IN EUROPE, AND TO BRING PERIOD OF CALM IN THE AREA, SO THAT IT CAN DEVOTE MORE ATTENTION AND RESOURCES TO "MORE IMPORTANT" QUESTION OF CHINA AND SOVIET-CHINESE BORDER. ACTIVISTS WILL PROBABLY TELL SENATORS THAT U.S. IS NAIVE IN BELIEVING THAT CSCE OFFERS ANY BENEFITS TO WEST, IN FACT, WILL PROBABLY CALL IT POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS BECAUSE IT LULLS WEST INTO THINKING IT CAN COOPERATE WITH SOVIETS IN AREA OF HUMAN RIGHTS, INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND CONTACTS.

4. VOA. ACTIVISTS ARE CONVINCED THAT SOME SORT OF U.S.-SOVIET "DEAL" WAS MADE WHEN JAMMING OF VOA WAS LIFTED IN 1973. THEY ARE STRONGLY CRITICAL OF VOA FOR ITS "WEAK" COVERAGE OF EVENTS IN THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS ALLEGED ATTEMPTS TO DOWNPLAY SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVES OPPOSED TO WESTERN INTERESTS. THEY ALSO CLAIMED THAT CERTAIN NEGATIVE TERMS LIKE "SUPPOSEDLY" ("YAKOBY") ARE CREEPING INTO VOA REPORTS OF STATEMENTS MADE BY SOVIET OPPOSITIONISTS, JEWISH AND OTHERWISE. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY ABOUT SPECIFIC BROADCASTS, THEY COULD NOT COME UP WITH CONFIDENTIAL

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MUCH, BUT THEY CLEARLY ARE OF THE OPINION THAT VOA IS PUSSYFOOTING WHEN IT COMES TO THE SOVIET UNION AND WILL MOST LIKELY IMPART THAT NOTION TO THE SENATORS.

5. SOVIET INTENTIONS. GIVEN THEIR GENERAL VIEWS, ACTIVISTS WILL PROBABLY TELL THE SENATORS THAT SOVIET INTENTIONS ARE MALICIOUS AND THAT METHODS THEY USE ARE DUPLICITOUS; IN OTHER WORDS, THAT SOVIETS CANNOT

BE TRUSTED AND THAT THEY ONLY UNDERSTAND POWER AND FORCE.

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